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Building a better America through Education and Hellenism

## **OUR MISSION**

This Foundation has a single mission: to promote education by which Greek American scholarship recipients become significant achievers and, guided by the values of their Hellenic upbringing, contribute meaningfully to the ongoing development of American society.

# BUILDING A BETTER AMERICA THROUGH EDUCATION AND HELLENISM

Our Scholarship Foundation seeks to combine and utilize the values of American education with Hellenic principles in order to help develop Greek American scholars into outstanding citizens. In this regard, the Foundation promotes its mission by recognizing students of high academic achievements and offers monetary rewards to all selected recipients based on their financial status.

## **WHO WE ARE**

The PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation is an Illinois non-profit corporation with an IRS designation of 501(c)(3). It is administered by a Board of Directors and an Executive Committee (Officers). A separate Advisory Board representing a range of professional disciplines provides to the Foundation guidance and support. The selection of Scholarship Award Recipients is made by an Academic Committee appointed by the Board of Directors. This Committee works independently and makes its decisions based on established criteria. Members of the Board of Directors, Officers, the Advisory Board and employees of the Foundation may not serve on the Academic Committee.

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## WHAT'S NEW

PANHELLENIC SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

FROM THE CHAIRMAN

2009 PARADIGM AWARD

2009 GALA EVENT

2009 CONTRIBUTORS

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OUR 2009 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS

# BRIGHT FUTURES FOR BRIGHT STUDENTS The PanHellenic Scholarships of 2010 are on the way, now with a new dimension...

Soon we will be celebrating the winners of the 2010 Scholarships at the next PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation's Awards Gala. As in the past, \$250,000 dollars or more will be awarded to 40 of the *best and brightest* Greek American college students in the U.S. And since all of them first meet the academic and related achievements criteria, they all deserve the recognition and all deserve a cash award.

Unlike previous years, cash awards will be distributed to all 40 winners. 20 students with financial need will receive \$10,000 each while the remaining 20, whose parents have higher incomes, will each receive \$2,500. This is our way of offering substantial economic assistance to those who need it while we also reward those who don't. And, of course, they will all be inducted into the PanHellenic Honors Society.

## **OUR 2010 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION IS NOW**

**AVAILABLE I** Please visit our website to download a copy and view the guidelines and requirements. If you know of any Greek American students that are exceptional scholars please let them know of this Scholarship Grant offer.

# SAVE THE DATE 13 NOVEMBER 2010

This year our annual Scholarship

Awards Ceremony and Gala will take place on Saturday, November 13, so mark your calendar. Prepare to be surprised as this year's event will take place at a new venue; one of Chicago's finest. The evening promises to be entertaining and exciting. Please visit our website for updates on the venue and more details surrounding the event.

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# A Message from the Chairman

We have turned a new leaf in 2010. In response to the record contributions and participation at the 2009 Gala event, this year our event will reflect a perfect balance between commendation and celebration, and we promise our supporters and friends a pleasant and enjoyable evening.



# **Efharisto**

With deep gratitude we express our thanks to all contributors for their support and recognize the significance of their role in meeting our goals. As we go forward with our mission, we continue to rely on their ongoing participation in this important work. Again, we thank you.





# 2009 PARADIGM AWARD RECIPIENT Dr. Thanasis Economou

The Foundation was truly honored for the opportunity to recognize Dr. Economou and give the Award Recipients and guests the opportunity to meet the man who has set a model Paradigm to be followed. A true pioneer in his field, Dr. Economou has dedicated his entire life to making advances in Astrophysics. He is currently senior planetary scientist at the Enrico Fermi Institute of the University of Chicago and his name is linked with most of NASA's 50 year history.

# Plato Deliyannis

It is with deep sorrow that we face the death of our good friend and strong supporter of the PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation, Dr. Plato Deliyannis, who passed away on January 31, 2010. As a prominent supporter of education and our Foundation, Dr. Deliyannis dedicated his time as a member of our Academic Selection Committee. His lifework and achievements had become an accom-



plishment for the Greek Community to admire. His loss has been deeply felt by all.

# THANK YOU TO PATRICIA KARA—Our Mistress of

### Ceremonies

We were delighted to have Chicago's own Patricia Kara serve as the Mistress of Ceremonies. The



Greek American actress and spokes model illuminated the event with her glamorous presence.

Patricia took time out of her busy schedule to host our event pro bono. We sincerely appreciate her time and dedication to our Foundation and the Greek Community!



## **Letters from Award Recipients**

I wanted to sincerely and truly from the bottom of my heart express my gratitude for the financial aid your Foundation provided for me. I am now able to focus more clearly and aggressively on my academics rather than my finances. It is my hope and intention that someday I can give back to this foundation to assist a student who may need it as much as I did.

#### ALEX ATHANASAKOPOLILOS '09

...I assure the Foundation that I will continue along the path of success that has earned me the distinction for this award. Knowing how limited resources are, I also appreciate the difficulty the Foundation had in selecting this year's recipients. With that thought, I hope and pray with the grace of God, that someday I too, will be in the position to give back to this Foundation in order to perpetuate the gift of education to other Greek Americans. CHARLES BLOUGOURAS '09

I can never thank you enough for the consideration and privilege that has been granted to me...It is an incredible honor and a godsend to find myself a recipient of such a prestigious award. My dream to pursue a college education and one day become a successful businessman is now a dream that I can realistically achieve. I have a much clearer view of the road ahead of me. My future is bright and filled with potential to soar and succeed, and I have you to thank, Mr. Tomaras. Constantine Giannaras '09

# Where are they now?

### Jennifer Sambatakos '02

Jennifer graduated from Boston University in 2006 with a B.A. in Psychology and from The Chicago School of Professional Psychology in 2009 with a M.A. in Applied Industrial Organizational Psychology.

### Renée Kleris '04

Renee graduated from Emory University in May 2008 and is now a second year medical student at Mercer University School of Medicine in Macon, Georgia.

### Katherine Rollins '0!

Katherine graduated from the University of Notre Dame in May 2009 with a B.A. in English and Art History and is currently studying law at the University of Texas School of Law.

### Costadina Aneziris '07

Costadina graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) Cum Laude with highest distinction in Anthropology. She is currently enrolled at the UIC College of Pharmacy. Costadina also continues to work as a figure skating instructor at Skokie Skatium.







Demetris Kozonis, Nick Black, Maria Rogaris, Evangelos Potakis and their guests



2009 Award Recipient James Schooley with parents and guests



Foundation, and Dr. Thanasis Economou, 2009 Paradigm Award Recipient

Katerina Pappas, Eleni Sotos, Yiannis Valsamas



Vasiliki Karahalios, Elias Mesiacos, George N. Reveliotis, Peter Syregelas and Nick Reveliotis



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John and Mae Calamos

John Galanis, Toula Knoch, Joanne Stavrakas and Eleni Angelos



2009 Award Recipient Katherine Georginis with family and friends



Spyros and Katina Vaselopulos, Chris Tomaras, Athena Demeros, George Alexander, Jim Karalekas, George Konstandopoulos, Art Demeros, Anna Karalekas, Katina Chiampas and Marigoula Katzias

Fr. Tom Avramis

Helen Manos, Greg Pappas, Patricia Kara, Thanasis Karamouzis and

Chris Tomaras and Dr. George Alexopoulos, Chairman of the Academic Committee

PanHellenic Gala Banquet at the Union League Club of Chicago



Eleni Tzotzolis, Eleni and Demetri Bousis, Vasiliki Palivos

2009 Award Recipients Ellen Goleas, Marisa Falakos and Leonidas Skiadopoulos



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